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AN ORDINANCE OF *The Lords and Commons assembled in* PARLIAMENT:

For the Leavying of MONEYS, by way of

Excise, *or*, New-Impost,

As well for the better securing of TRADE, as for the maintenance of the ARMY raised by the PARLIAMENT, and payment of the *Debts* of the *Common-wealth*.

Wherein the said LORDS and COMMONS have thought fit *To alter the* Rates *Printed in a former Ordinance*,

And to impose other and lower CHARGES upon the severall Commodities herein expressed, as by a SCHEDULE hereunto annexed appeareth.

H. Scobell.

ORdered *by the Commons in Parliament assembled, That this Ordinance be forthwith Printed and Published.*

H Elsynge, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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An Ordinance of the *Lords* and *Commons* in Parliament, for the ſpeedy Raiſing and Levying of Moneys, by way of Charge and New-Impoſt, upon the ſeverall Commodities, in a Schedule hereunto annexed, contained, as well for the better ſecuring of Trade, as for the maintenance of the Forces raiſed for the defence of the King, Parliament, and Kingdom, both by Sea and Land, as for and towards the payment of the Debts of the Common-wealth, for which the Publike Faith is, or ſhall be ingaged.

THe Lords and Commons aſſembled in Parliament, taking into their ſerious conſideration the great neceſsitie, of providing preſent ſupply for the preſervation of this Kingdom, our Religion, Laws, and Liberties, from utter ruine and deſtruction, by thereſtleſſe and cruell Deſignes, Practices, and Treacheries of Papiſts, and Malignant perſons; And for that many great Leavies have been already made for the purpoſes aforeſaid, which the well-affected of the Kingdom have willingly born, and the Malignants have endeavoured by all cunning wayes to evade. By reaſon whereof, the ſaid Lords and Commons hold it fit, That ſome conſtant and indifferent way ſhould be had and eſtabliſhed, for the Leavying of Moneyes for the future maintenance of the Parliament Forces, and other great Affairs of the Common wealth; whereby the Malignants and Neutralls may be compelled to pay their proportionable parts of the ſaid Charges, and the Subjects in generall be rated and taxed with as much eaſe and indifferency as may be: For which purpoſe, an Ordinance was lately made by the ſaid Lords and Commons, for

setting of a Charge, or new Impost upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule thereunto annexed specified. Now for the better and more speedy advancement of this work, and the more easie Payment of the said Charge, and for other weighty considerations, the said Lords and Commons have thought fit to alter the said former Rates, and to impose other and lower Charges upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule hereunto annexed expressed, then were imposed by the said former Ordinance; And do therefore Ordain, That the said former Ordinance, and every matter therein contained, be hereby annulled and repealed, and not to be put in execution in all or any part thereof, by any person or persons whatsoever, but that this present Ordinance do take effect, and be observed by all and every person and persons, as if the said former Ordinance had not been made. And the said Lords and Commons do hereby Ordain and Declare, That the severall Rates and Charges in the Schedule hereunto annexed contained, shall be set and laid, and are hereby set, laid, and imposed, upon all and every the commodities within this Realm, the Dominion of Wales, *and Town of* Berwick, *over and above all Customes, and other Duties, due and payable for the same.*

The Schedule.

IN this Schedule are contained the Excise, and new Impost, by this Ordinance, set and imposed upon the severall Commodities herein mentioned.

		l.	s.	d.
Tobacco	FOr every pound of Tobacco which is not of the English Plantations, as well already imported, and remaining in the hands of the Merchant or Importer, as to be imported to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, two shillings	0	2	0

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For every Pound of Tobacco of the English Plantations, as well imported, and remaining in the hands of the Merchant or Importer, as to be imported to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, four pence	00	00	04

For all Tobacco now remaining in the hands of the Ingroſſer or Seller thereof, by whole ſale, to be paid by the ſaid Ingroſſer or Seller upon the ſale thereof, the like reſpective Rates as aforeſaid.

Wines.	For every Tun of Wine already imported or to be imported to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, and ſo after that Rate for a greater or leſſer quantity, five pound	05	00	00
	For every Tun of Wine bought for private uſe, to be paid by the firſt Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, and ſo after that Rate for a greater or leſſer quantity, five pound	05	00	00

Which Rates ſo to be paid by the Retailers of Wine ſhall be allowed them upon the ſale thereof in the price.

And for all Wines now remaining in the Vintners or Retailers hands, they ſhall pay onely half Exciſe, the ſame to be allowed them in the price thereof upon the ſale.

And for all Wines remaining in the hands of the Cooper or other Trader in Wine, they ſhall pay the whole Exciſe, the ſame to be allowed them in the price upon the ſale thereof.

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Strong Waters	For all ſtrong Waters, and *Aqua vitæ* imported, or to be imported, to be paid by the firſt buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, and ſo after that Rate for a greater or leſſer quantity, after the Rate of eight pence the Gallon.	00	00	08

And for all ſtrong Waters and *Aqua vitæ* made or diſtilled within the Realm, Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwicke*, the like Rate to be paid by the Maker or Diſtiller thereof.

Beere and Ale.	For every Barrell of Beer or Ale of eight ſhillings the Barrell and upwards ſold, to be paid by the Brewer or Maker thereof, and to be allowed him in the price therof, two ſhillings.	00	02	00
	For every Barrell of Beer or Ale of eight ſhillings the Barrell, and upwards, which any Houſe-keeper Breweth for his own ſpending, to be paid by every ſuch Houſe-keeper, twelve pence.	00	01	00
	For every Barrell of ſix ſhillings Beer, or above four ſhillings the Barrell, ſold, to be paid by the Brewer or Maker thereof, and to be allowed him in the price, ſix pence.	00	00	06

And the like Rate to be paid by all others who Brew the like Beer for their own ſpending.

Perry and Syder.	For every Hogs head of Perry or Syder, ſold, to be paid by the firſt Retailer thereof, and ſo after the ſame Rate for a Barrell, or any Meaſure above a Barrell, two ſhillings.	00	02	00

For

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For every Hogs-head of Perry or Syder bought for private uſe, to be paid by the firſt buyer thereof, twelve pence.	00	01	00
For every Hogs-head of Perry or Syder which any Houſe-keeper maketh for his own ſpending, to be paid by every ſuch Houſe-keeper, twelve pence.	00	01	00

Provided, That for all Beer or Ale, Perry or Syder now remaining in the hands of any Inne-holders, or other Retailers thereof, they ſhall onely pay the half Exciſe.

And for all Beer or Ale, Perry or Syder to be uſed for fiſhing at Sea, no Exciſe to be paid.

Grocery	For all Grocery Ware imported, or to be imported, for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably for a greater or leſſer value, to be paid by the firſt buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, twelve pence.	00	01	00
Druggs	*Item*, For all ſorts of Druggs imported or to be imported, for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo after that Rate for a greater or leſſer value, to be paid by the firſt buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, twelve pence.	00	01	00

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Mercery.	For all ſorts of Mercery-ware imported, or to be imported for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably for a greater or leſſer value to be paid by the firſt Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, twelve pence.	00	01	00
Silkes Imported.	For all Raw Silkes imported or to be imported for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably for a greater or leſſer value, ſix pence	00	00	06
	For other Silk in the Gumm, ready thrown imported, or to be imported for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably, nine pence.	00	00	09
	For all other Silkes Dyed, imported, or to be imported for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably the ſaid ſeverall Rates for Silkes to be paid by the firſt Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, twelve pence	00	01	00
Lynnen Drapery.	For all ſorts of Linnen, both fine and courſe imported, or to be imported for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably to be paid by the firſt Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, twelve pence	00	01	00
Haberdaſhery	For all ſorts of Habberdaſhery-ware imported, or to be imported, for every twenty ſhillings value thereof, and ſo proportionably to be paid by the firſt Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, twelve pence	00	01	00

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Upholstry	For all sorts of Upholstery Ware Imported and to be Imported, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence.	00	01	00
Salery.	For all sorts of Salery wares Imported or to be Imported, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Six pence.	00	00	06
Sope.	For all Sope made within the Realm, Dominion of *Wales*, or Towne of *Berwick*, for every Firkin of the best sort, Ten pence; and for every Firkin of the second sort, Nine pence; and for every Firkin of the worst sort, Eight pence; and so proportionably for a greater or lesser quantity to be paid by the maker thereof.	00	00	10
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	For all Sope Imported or to be Imported, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Eighteen pence.	00	01	06
Drapery, new & old	For all sorts of Woollen Cloth, and other commodities made of, or mixe with Woull, made or spent within this Realm, the Dominion of *Wales*, or Towne of *Berwick*, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, Six pence.	00	00	06

		l.	s.	d.
Paper.	For all Paper bought of the Merchants, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to bee paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence.	00	01	00
Skins and Leather.	For all Skins and Leather Imported or to be Imported, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence.	00	01	00
Glass-men	For all Glasses and earthen Ware Imported or to be Imported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence.	00	01	00

All which Rates to bee paid for any Forraign Commodities Imported, shall bee paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, or from the Broker who useth to deale betweene the Merchant and the Shop-keeper, and for all the Commodities hereby charged with the *Excise* in manner aforesaid, which shall be sold or delivered at a price.

I. PRovided that this Ordinance shall not extend to any the Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, which are already bought from the Merchant, or Importer thereof, by any person or persons who hath bought the same to sell againe, or spend, except it bee otherwise particularly expressed in the said Schedule.

II. And be it ordained, That every person or per-

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sons who hath Imported, or shall import any the Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, for his owne private use or spending, but for any other purpose then to sell againe, shall pay the Rates and Charges hereby set and Imposed upon the same Commodities.

III. Item, For all Commodities here Rated, which are first Imported, and after Exported beyond the Sea, the Excise thereof being paid, and due proofe thereof made by Oath of the party or Witnesses; which Oath the said Commissioners, or the major part of them, or such as they shall appoint under their Hands and Seales, shall have power to administer, shall be repaid, and the said Commissioners and their Deputies shall have power to repay the same accordingly; Provided, that if any Merchant, or other Buyer of any Clothes, or other Woollen commodities made within this Realme, the Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwick*, shall buy the same to Transport beyond the Seas, and shall accordingly Transport the same, then no Excise thereof to be paid.

IV. And for the better levying of the Moneyes hereby to be raised, Be it Ordained by the Lords and Commons, That an Office be from henceforth erected in the City of *London*, called *The Office of Excise*, or *New Impost*; whereof there shall be seven Commissioners to govern the same, who are hereby appointed and nominated: And the said Commissioners, or the Survivors of them, or such as shall be hereafter appointed, or the greater part of them, shall have power, and are hereby Authorized from time to time to choose a Treasurer or Treasurers, being one or more of themselves; and also shall choose Registers, Collectors, Clerkes, and

other subordinate Officers (for whom they shall be answerable) as the said Commissioners, or the greater part of them, shall from time to time, and have hereby Power and Place, and to place others in their room, and to allow them such severall yearly Wages out of the Receits of the said Office, for their paines and service therein, as the said Commissioners, or the greater part of them shall think fit and reasonable, and as shall be approved of, and allowed by both Houses of Parliament.

V. And it is further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That the Seven Commissioners herein named, shall be, and are hereby nominated and appointed to be Governors of the said Office, viz. *John Towes* Esq; Alderman of the City of *London*, *Thomas Foote* Esquire Alderman of the City of *London*, *John Ardrich* Esquire Alderman of the City of *London*, *Thomas Cullum* Esquire Alderman of the City of *London*, *Simond Edmonds*, *John Lambe*, and *Edward Claxton*, Citizens of *London*.

VI. And it is further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That the Commissioners hereby, or hereafter to be appointed Governors of the said Office, and such Treasurer or Treasurers as shall be by them chosen as aforesaid, shall respectively before they enter upon the said Office, take a solemne Oath before the Speaker of the House of Peeres, or the Speaker of the House of Commons for the time being, for the due execution of their places; And every of the said Speakers shall have power hereby to administer the said Oath.

VII. And it is hereby Ordained, That all parts of the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, with the severall Suburbs thereof, and all other places within Ten miles

thereof,

thereof, or thereabouts, which shall be thought fit by the said Commissioners, shall be subject to the Rule and Government of the said Office.

VIII. And that the like Office and Offices, and so many of them, and such and so many other subordinate Commissioners shall be erected and appointed in all or any the Counties of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Towne of *Berwick*, and in all such Cities, and places thereof, as the said Seven Commissioners, or the Survivors of them, or major part of them, or such other as shall be appointed chiefe Commissioners, or the major part of them for the time being shall appoint, for whom the said chiefe Commissioners shall be answerable. And the said subordinate Commissioners shall take the like Oath respectively before the Speaker of either House of Parl. or such person or persons as the said Speaker shall appoint under his hand and seal, or before the said chief Commissioners, or such other person or persons as they or the major part of them, under their hands and seals shall appoint, which said severall Speakers, Commissioners, and other persons so by them Authorised, shall have power to minister the said Oath.

IX. And the said subordinate Commissioners, and other inferior Officers which shall be imployed by the said chiefe Commissioners, shall have for their severall paines in and about the said businesse, such reasonable sum and sums of money allowed them as the said chief Commissioners or the major part of them for the time being shall thinke fit and appoint, with the allowance of both Houses of Parliament.

X. Item, that the said severall and respective Commissioners shall quarterly make their accompts of all their receipts and disbursements at the said Office in

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London, unto one or more Auditor or Auditors to be appointed by the ſaid houſes to receive the ſame; which ſaid Auditor or Auditors ſhall take the like Oath for the due execution of their places, and in ſuch manner as is hereby appointed for the ſaid Commiſſioners, and ſhall make and keepe a Duplicate or counter-part of all accompts and entries in the ſaid ſeverall Offices, the ſame to be preſented by the ſaid Auditor or Auditors to the ſaid Houſes, when, and as often as it is required. And * *Faulconbridge* of the City of *Weſtminſter*, Gent. is hereby nominated and appointed Auditor for the ſaid ſervice.

XI. Item, that the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any of them, ſhall not iſſue out any money, raiſed, or levied by vertue of this Ordinance to any perſon or perſons whatſoever, but by order of both Houſes of Parliament to be directed to the ſaid chiefe Commiſſioners, or the greater part of them, unleſſe it be concerning the payment of the ſaid chiefe Commiſſioners allowances Quarterly; and of wages to the ſaid ſubordinate Commiſſioners and other Officers; and of Rents due for houſe-roome or roomes where the ſaid Offices ſhall be kept, or other neceſſary expences in and about the ſaid Offices, the ſaid ſeverall ſummes and diſburſments to be ſuch as ſhall be allowed of by both Houſes of Parliament: which ſaid Commiſſioners upon paſſing of their accompts, ſhall from time to time be diſcharged thereof by both Houſes of Parliament; And that it ſhall and may be lawfull to, and for every of the ſaid chiefe Commiſsioners to make a Deputy, for whom he will anſwer.

XII. Item, that the ſaid Office in all places where it ſhall be kept, ſhall be kept upon all the weeke dayes

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(except the Lords day) from eight of the clocke in the morning, till twelve at noone, and from two of the clock in the afternoone, till six in the afternoone, for the entring and Regiſtring of the names and ſir-names, as well of the Sellers, Buyers, and Makers of the ſaid ſeverall commodities in the ſaid Schedule mentioned, and the ſeverall quantities and values thereof, and for receiving of all moneys which ſhall bee due and payable for the *Exciſe*, and for other things neceſſary to be done touching the ſaid buſineſſe, which ſaid entries ſhall bee made accordingly.

XIII. That all and every the Merchants and Importers of the ſaid forraign cõmodities in the ſaid Schedule mentioned, and all common Brewers of Ale or Beere, and Diſtillers of Aquavitæ, and Strong-waters, and others chargeable by this Ordinance with the *Exciſe* for any the cõmodities in the ſaid Schedule mentioned, ſhall weekely cauſe to be entred into the ſaid reſpective Offices a true and perfect liſt or accompt of all and every the ſaid commodities reſpectively, and of the ſaid Ale and Beere and ſtrong-waters, weekly brewed, made or diſtilled, and ſhall not deliver any of the ſaid commodities to any of the Buyers thereof, or other perſon or perſons (except ſuch of the ſaid commodities as ſhall be by the licence of the ſaid chiefe Commiſſioners or the *major*-part of them, or ſuch as they ſhall appoint, be tranſported beyond Sea) untill the ſame ſhall be ſo entred as aforeſaid; And that no perſon or perſons chargeable with the ſaid *Exciſe*, ſhall ſell or diſpoſe of any of the ſaid commodities, without firſt receiving a Ticket or Warrant from the ſaid reſpective Office, that the *Exciſe* or new Impoſt due for the ſame is payd or ſatisfied, and if any of the ſellers of any of the ſaid com-

commodities chargeable with the *Excise* shall refuse or neglect to make a true entry thereof, according to the last precedent Article, or shall doe any thing contrary thereunto; the same being proved by Oath of two witnesses before the said respective Commissioners, or the *major* part of them, who shall have power hereby to minister the said Oath, or confessed by the party, shall forfeit double the value of the said goods or commodities so by him or them neglected to be entred, or so delivered, sold or disposed of contrary to the said Article to the use of the Common-wealth, the same to be levyed by the said respective Commissioners or Deputies, or such as they or the *major* part of them shall appoint by distresse and sale of the offenders goods (if they shall not be redeemed within fourteene dayes) rendring to the party the over-plus, and for want of sufficient distresse all and every the said Commissioners or Deputies, or the *major* part of them respectively, or such as they shall appoint, shall have power to commit such offendor to Prison, till he pay the said forfeiture.

XIV. That no Merchant, Tradesman, Stranger, Ship-master, Mariner, or other person or persons, Importer of any goods or Merchandize into the Port of *London*, Cinque Ports or other Port, Creeke, or place whatsoever within this Realme, the Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwick*, shall land or discharge any goods or commodities upon the shore before they shall have first given notice thereof to the Officers of *Excise* for that place, by delivery of a Bill of entry under his hand, specifying the said severall goods or commodities so imported, their quantities, weights, and measures respectively, under the penalty in the said next precedent Article contained, and to be levied in like manner.

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XV. And be it ordained, that it ſhall or may be lawfull to and for the ſaid reſpective Commiſſioners, or the major part of them, out of the forfeitures above mentioned, to give and allow to any perſon or perſons which ſhall informe them of any abuſe committed by any perſon or perſons contrary to this Ordinance, ſo much money for his and their reward and recompence, of his or their paines, as the ſaid Commiſſioners, or the major part of them ſhall thinke fit, the ſame to be allowed to the ſaid Commiſſioners upon their accompts.

XVI. That if any common Beere-brewer, Alehouſe-keeper, Cider or Perry maker, or other perſon chargeable with the ſaid Exciſe in the Country, or in any Citie, Towne, or place, doe not make a true entry in manner aforeſaid in the ſaid Office appointed, in the Country, City or place, where they dwell, or in ſuch Office erected, next to their place of dwelling, and the ſame bee confeſſed, or proved, as aforeſaid, then they ſhall incurre the like penalty as aforeſaid, the ſame to bee levied and diſpoſed of in ſuch manner as aforeſaid.

XVII. *Item*, That the ſaid Chiefe Commiſſioners, or the major part of them, ſhall have power to puniſh all inordinate Officers, or other perſons belonging to the ſaid Offices, which ſhall be wilfully negligent, remiſſe, or refractory in the ſaid ſervice, by fine, not exceeding the double value of their yeerely wages, the ſame to be levied, and imployed in ſuch maner as aforeſaid: And ſhall likewiſe have power to puniſh any other offence, contrary to this Ordinance, (not hereby otherwiſe provided for) by fine or amercement to be

levied and imployed in such manner as is appointed for the said other penalties.

XVIII. And be it further ordained, that the Customers or Commissioners for Tonnage and Poundage, shall from time to time, permit and suffer the said respective Commissioners or any of them, or any of their Deputy or Deputies, or such as they shall appoint, to search, view, or examine, any Note, Booke, or Bookes, belonging to the Custome houses, or to take Copies thereof, or of as much thereof as they please. And that the said Commissioners of Excise or any of them, or any of the said chiefe Commissioners Deputies, shall have a place to sit in the Custome houses, and shall have power by themselves or their Agents to take notes or copies of all entries of goods and merchandizes imported, or to be imported from time to time.

XIX. *Item.* That the said respective Commissioners of Excise, and Deputies of the said chiefe Commissioners, or the major part of them, respectively shall have power and authority to call before them any person or persons, whom they shall thinke fit, to informe and testifie touching the premises, and to examine any such person, (other then the party himselfe) upon oath, for the better discovery of any fraud or guile, in the not entring of any of the said Commodities, or not payment of the Excise, or new Impost, according to the tenor of this present Ordinance, which the said Commissioners or the major part of them, or such as they shall appoint under their hands and seales, shall have power to administer, and the testimony of two credible witnesses shall be sufficient in that behalfe.

XX. *Item.* That there shall be allowed yeerely unto

to every of the ſaid chiefe Commiſſioners of Exciſe for the time being, for his care and paines in and about the ſaid ſervice, the ſumme of to be paid him quarterly to his owne uſe.

XXI. *Item.* That this Ordinance ſhall begin and take effect from the eleventh day of *September*, 1643. and from thence to continue for one yeere, then next following.

XXII. That the ſaid reſpective Commiſſioners, or the major part of them, ſhall from time to time appoint any Officer or Officers belonging to the ſaid Office, to enter into the Sellers, Shops, Warehouſes, Storehouſes, or other places of every perſon or perſons that ſelleth, byeth, or ſpendeth, any of the ſaid Commodities in the ſaid Schedule mentioned, to ſearch and ſee what quantities of any of the ſaid Commodities, every or any ſuch perſon hath on his hands, or any other perſon or perſons to his uſe, and for the preventing of all fraud and abuſes that may be uſed or practiſed to avoid the payment of the ſaid Exciſe and new Impoſt.

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XXIII. That all Juſtices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffes, Sheriffes, Conſtables, and all other Officers, be from time to time ayding and aſſiſting to all and every the ſaid reſpective Commiſſioners, and other Officers of Exciſe, and to every of them appointed by this Ordinance, in the execution thereof, and of the Articles therein contained: and that eſpeciall care be taken, as well by the ſaid reſpective Commiſſioners, as the ſaid Juſtices of Peace and other Officers, whom it ſhall concerne, and every of them, That the Aſſizes of Beere, Ale, Wine, and other things, be duly kept and

obſerved, and the abuſes therein puniſhed according to the Lawes and Statutes in that behalfe made, as they will anſwer the contrary to both Houſes of Parliament.

XXIV. That the ſaid Commiſſioners and other Officers, and every of them appointed by this Ordinance, ſhall have power to call the Trained Bands, Voluntiers, or other Forces, of or within any County, City, or Place, reſpectively to be aydeing and aſſiſting to them, to compell obedience to this Ordinance where any reſiſtance ſhall be made: which ſaid Trained Bands, Voluntiers and other Forces, and their ſeverall Commanders and other Officers, are hereby required and enjoyned to give their aide and aſſiſtance accordingly as oft as neede ſhall require.

XXV. And be it further ordained, That as well all and every the ſaid Commiſſioners, Deputies, Treaſurers, Regiſters, Receivers, Auditors, or other Officers whatſoever, belonging to the ſaid ſeverall Offices, as all and every other perſon and perſons which ſhall doe any thing in execution or performance of this preſent Ordinance, ſhall be therein from time to time protected and ſaved harmeleſſe, by the power and authority of both Houſes of Parliament.

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An Ordinance and Declaration of the Lord and Commons Assembled in Parliament, touching the Salary and Allowance to be made to the Commissioners and Auditors for the Excise.

Together with the severall Oathes to be taken by them.

As also directing the manner and time of the Entries to be made of all Goods bought or sold, chargeable with the Excise, since the 11. of *September*, 1643.

Die Lunæ 18. *Sept.* 1643.

WHereas an Ordinance was lately made by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, for setting of a charge by way of Excise or new Impost upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule, thereunto annexed, contained. In which Ordinance no certaine Salary is expressed for the Commissioners thereby appointed to execute the same.

Be it now Declared and Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, that the chiefe Commissioners appointed by the said Ordinance to put the same in execution, or as many of them as shall execute the same, shall have for their paines and service therein six pence in every twenty shillings that shal be raised and paid in to the Treasurer or Treasurers of Excise appointed by the said Ordinance, the same to be allowed them quarterly upon their accompts by the said Treasurer or Treasurers, without any further Warrant.

And be It further hereby Ordained, That *William Bond* of *London*, Merchant, be appointed an Auditor for the said service, over and besides Master *Thomas Fawconbridge*, who was appointed an Auditor by the said former Ordinance, and to have the like power with him: And that every of the said Auditors shall have for their severall paines and service in that behalfe the sum of per *Annum*, to be allowed them quarterly by the said Treasurer or Treasurers out of their Receipts, without any further Warrant.

And it is hereby Ordained, That the said Commissioners, upon passing of their accompts before the Auditor or Auditors for the time being, and allowance thereof by the said Houses, shall be discharged of the said accompts from time to time by both the said Houses.

And be it further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That the severall Commissioners and Auditors appointed, and to be appointed for the said service, shall take the severall Oaths herein prescribed, in such manner as by the said Ordinance is expresst.

The forme of the oath for the *Commissioners*,

YOU shall sweare to be faithfull and true in your place of Commissioner for the Excise during the time you shall be a Commissioner, according to the Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament in that behalfe made. You shall according to your knowledge execute the same diligently and faithfully, having no private respect to your selfe in prejudice of the Common-wealth. You shall make and deliver a true accompt of all your Receipts and Disbursments, to such Auditor or Auditors as is, are, or shall be from time to time appointed by both Houses of Parliament, according to the said Ordinance. So help you God, and the contents of this Book.

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The forme of the Oath for the *Auditors*.

YOU ſhall ſweare to be faithfull & true in your Office of Auditor for the Exciſe, during your continuance in the ſaid Office, according the Ordinance of both Houſes of Parliament in that behalfe made. You ſhall take the accompts which ſhall be made unto you quarterly by the Commiſsioners for Exciſe, and make true Entries and duplicates or counterparts thereof, and ſhal truely preſent the ſame to both Houſes of Parliament, as by the ſaid Ordinance is appointed; And in all things diligently and truely execute your ſaid Office to the beſt of your skill and knowledge. So helpe you God, and the Contents of this Booke.

And be it Declared and Ordained, That all manner of perſons who have bought or ſold any Goods or Commodities chargeable with the Exciſe, ſince the eleventh of this inſtant *September*, 1643. or ſhall buy or ſell any ſuch Goods before the execution of this Ordinance, ſhall within ten dayes next after the twentyeth day of this moneth (if the ſaid Goods were or ſhall be bought or ſold within the Cities or Suburbs of *London* or *Weſtminſter*, or ten miles compaſſe thereof) or if in any other place or places, then within ten dayes next after the erection of the ſaid Office of Exciſe in or neere ſuch place or places, cauſe entry thereof to be made in the ſeverall and reſpective Offices, to which the ſame ſhall belong, that ſo the duty of Exciſe may be diſcovered and paid for the ſame, under paine of forfeiture of double the value of the ſaid Goods or Merchandizes, to be levyed in ſuch manner and forme, and to ſuch uſes as by the ſaid Ordinance is appointed, for not entry of Goods liable to the Exciſe.

John Browne Cler. Parliamentorum.

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